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SUBJECT: RWANDAN EXPORT RESTRICTIONS

REFS: A) STATE 146681 B) KIGALI A-21 OF MARCH 1, 1974

1. FOLLOWING DATA RWANDAN EXPORT RESTRICTION DESCRIBED
IN LAW DEC 17, 1973 PUBLISHED JAN 1, 1974 IN JOURNAL
OFFICIEL AND IN RWANDAN FOREIGN EXCHANGE LEGISLATION AND
REGULATIONS (COPY BY REFAIRGRAM). ADDITIONAL DATA,
INCLUDING COPIES CURRENT RATE SCHEDULES WILL BE POUCHED.

2. PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS: PRODUCTS SEPARATED BY LAW TO
INCLUDE FOLLOWING SIX CATEGORIES (WITH ACCOMPANYING
NOMENCLATURE).

A) ANIMAL PRODUCTS: LIVESTOCK (01.01.01) POULTRY (01.04.10),
LIVE WILD ANIMALS (01.08), DAIRY PRODUCTS (01.15.10), SKINS
AND HIDES (01.21 AND 01.22), AND OTHER ANIMAL MATERIALS.

B) VEGETABLE PRODUCTS: POTATOES (02.03.30), ROOT PRODUCTS
(02.05.10), BANANAS (02.06.30), COFFEE (02.07.10, 02.07.21,
02.07.29, 02.07.90, AND 02.09.10), PYRETHRUM (02.21.10 AND
02.21.20), AND CINCHONEE (02.21.30).

C) MINERALS: CASSITERITE (03.01.10), COLOMBO-TAUTULITE

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(03.03.10), BERYL (03.04.10), WOLFRAM (03.05.10),

AMBLYGONITE (03.06.10), GOLD (03.07.10).

D) PROCESSED FOOD INDUSTRIES: PREPARATION OF MEAT AND FISH (04.03.10), BOTTLED DRINKS (04.07 AND 04.08), AND TOBACCO (04.09).

E) OTHER INDUSTRIAL GOODS: SOAP (05.01), TEXTILES (05.02.10, METALWORK (05.03) CLEANING AND HYGENIC ARTICLES (05.05), WOODWORK (05.07.10), AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS SUCH AS BRICKS (05.08.10), TILES (05.09.10), AND PIPES AND CEMENT (05.10.10).

F) GOODS FOR REEXPORT: ARMS AND MUNITIONS (06.01), AUTOMOBILES (06.02.10)

3. NATURE OF MEASURES:

A) EXPORT AUTHORIZATIONS: EXPORTERS MUST OBTAIN EXPORT LICENCE, MODEL E, VALID FOR THREE MONTHS, ISSUED BY NATIONAL BANK RWANDA FOR ALL GOODS LEAVING COUNTRY. ONE SUCH LICENCE CAN COVER ALL PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN SUBCHAPTERS OF GOODS CATEGORIES IN MANUAL PUBLISHED BY CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATION.

B) EXPORT TAXES INCLUDE WIDE VARIETY GOODS NAMED IN PARA 2 ABOVE. TAXES EITHER CUSTOMS EXPORT TAX AND/OR ADDITIONAL EXCISE TAX. GOODS IN 2(A) ABOVE SUBJECT BOTH TYPES OF TAXES; 2(B), WITH EXCEPTION COFFEE, PYRETHRUM, AND CINCHONA, TO CUSTOMS TAX; 2(C) SUBJECT TO VARIABLE TAXES DEPENDENT ON AMOUNT AND TYPES OF MINERAL SHIPPED; 2(D) AND 2(E) SUBJECT ONLY TO EXCISE TAXES; 2(F) TO CUSTOMS TAXES.

C) GOODS NECESSARY FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH ARE IMPORTED MAY BE EXPORTED ONLY WITH GOR APPROVAL. CHIEF EXAMPLES ARE CEMENT AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS.

D) GOR HOLDS MONOPOLY ON ALL IMPORTANT PLANTATION CROP AND MINERAL EXPORTS: TEA, COFFEE, PYRETHRUM, CASSITERITE. SPECIAL EXPORT RULES ESTABLISHED FOR COFFEE.

4. CURRENT EXPORT REGULATIONS PUT INTO EFFECT DEC 17, 1973 FOR INDEFINITE DURATION.

5. REASONS FOR EXPORT CONTROL MEASURES CONSIDERED AS FOLLOWS:

A) MAINTAIN DOMESTIC SUPPLIES IN CASE SHORTAGES, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PARTICULARLY FOR HARD TO GET BUILDING SUPPLIES SUCH AS CEMENT.

B) INCREASE GOR FISCAL RECEIPTS FOR MAJOR EXPORTS E.G. COFFEE, PYRETHRUM, WILD ANIMAL HIDES, AND MINERALS.

C. ANTI-SMUGGLING MEASURES.

6. EFFECT ON TRADE: RWANDAN EXPORTS SO SMALL THAT EFFECT ON INTERNATIONAL OR US TRADE IS NIL, MAJOR RWANDAN

COMMODITY EXPORTS U.S. ARE COFFEE, TEA AND PYRETHRUM.
EXPORTING GOODS, DESPITE LICENSES AND TAXES, VIEWED AS
RELATIVELY SIMPLE ACTIVITY BY EXPORTERS.

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